

Author of "The Invisible Thief," etc

turn my thanks, or rather the thanks of Miss Barton, for the cordial and highly encouraging reception she has met with this evening." (Applause.) "It is but to be expected that a young lady would be somewhat alarmed at making a first appearance before the refined and fashionable assembly that I see before me. (Cheers.) Miss Barton requests me to say that whatever shortcomings may have attended her, she is fully sensible of them, and she trusts that she has met with a more favorable reception than she expected. But, between ourselves—judging the former reason is by far the best and most veracious; at least, I should think so, from the unqualified approbation which you have kindly extended towards her. (Prolonged applause, and shouts of "order" from Father Seely.) Ladies and gentlemen," continued the manager, "I—"

But here he was interrupted by a light in the pit, and for several minutes all was tumult and confusion. Two or three ladies were at length bundled out, and Mr. Temple was permitted to proceed.

TO BE CONTINUED.

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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Questions sent in by Friday, will, if possible, be attended to in the succeeding issue of the CLIPPER. The vast amount of correspondence we are in receipt of, prevents us from attending to all immediately.

W. S. C., Pittsburgh.—*Enchir.*—"A. B. C. and D are playing, A and B partners against C and D. A deals—D passes—B assists. Now can A, after B has assisted, refuse the assistance, and play it alone?" This is a question that is the subject of more discussion, probably than any other point in the game. Hoyle, in his very meagre rules on the game, says—"With some players, if a partner assists, the dealer may play alone; with others, he has not that privilege—either way is believed to be correct; but to avoid all misunderstanding, it would be proper to determine upon that point at the commencement of the game." Our opinion is, as we have repeatedly expressed it, that a player cannot go alone, where a partner assists.

INQUIRER.—*All Four.*—"A, B, and C are playing the beg game, in the course of which, as A deals the cards, B goes out. Should the deal go round in rotation to C, or should A deal again? As A and C go agreement, are to continue the game to the end." The deal goes next in turn to C.

D. F. Dover, N. H.—Lincoln was inaugurated President of the United States, and A must pay the bet. The fact of several States withdrawing from the Union, does not make the remaining States any the less united. We still have an American Union, and the "United States of America" still exist as such.

CHESS PRIZE.—I. Geo. Perrin had the honor of first introducing Little Flora to the turf. 2. Ingersol, of Philadelphia, owned America at the time you refer to. His fastest winning time was 5:11 two mile heats, against Lady Suffolk and Moscow. He was driven by Geo. Spicer.

ENQUIRER, New Haven.—1. Height is generally measured in stockings. 2. The height of Kelly, ex-champion of the Thames, is 5 ft 8 1/2 inches. 3. A 5 ft 10 inch man is equally as capable as a 6 ft man, in boat rowing, all other things being equal.

BYRON, Memphis.—1. The fight between Deaf Burke and O'Rourke took place in May, 1857. 2. Burke was not killed in the ring. Simon Byrne, with whom Burke fought in 1853, died from the effects of the fight.

WOLVERINE, Detroit.—When you undertake to make "corrections," do so over some responsible name, and your communication may receive attention.

P. P. S., Mobile.—1. Heenan is in New Orleans. 2. The movements of the lady referred to will be found duly recorded in our theatrical record.

OUR TOM, St. Johns, N. B.—1. Chambers has not yet arrived here. 2. At one time the subject of bringing out a four-oared crew was broached, but nothing definite was ever done in the matter.

T. S. Leavenworth.—We have heard nothing of such report here. Hyer has no inclination to enter the ring again, even did his health permit of it.

F. A. H., New Haven.—1. Get Beadle's Dime Book. 2. Persons having cricket material have not commenced to advertise yet, so that we are unable to inform you.

D. G. W., Boston.—*Pin Pool.*—If two balls are in contact, the player can play with either of the balls so touching direct at the pins, and any count so made, is good.

BARNEY.—1. We have no recollection of the article. If you can inform us on what date it appeared, we will hunt it up for you. 2. We have not heard of them of late.

A. R. ROSEMAN, Philad'a.—A must throw; if he refuses, B is entitled to the money wagered. A's intended catch has only had the effect to catch himself.

T. R., Little Piney, Mo.—The race tracks in the vicinity of New Orleans are the Metairie and Creole.

MAINTANA, Memphis.—We are not in the theatrical agency business. Thanks for the items.

UNCLE SAM, Belfast.—The curiosities are certainly of much value, but our readers have no idea who "Uncle Sam" is.

GUERREMAN, Providence.—Much obliged for your offer, but we never enter into any such arrangement.

BAITON.—Sam Patch was not killed at Niagara Falls, but at the Falls of Genesee, at Rochester.

G. E. I., Boston.—We are not in want of anything of the kind at present.

J. P. I., East Cambridge, Mass.—A regular physician will advise you better than we can.

C. C. CHASE, Niles.—Letters forwarded according to directions given in your former letter.

CRICKETER.—Scoring books, conveniently arranged, have been already published.

ADRIATIC, Plainfield, N. J.—The fire at the Crystal Palace broke out a little before six o'clock, P. M., Oct. 5, 1855.

PATRICK LYNCH, Oshkosh, Wis.—Is requested to send his address to "B. R. Poughkeepsie."

MONUMENTAL.—We have made use of your items, for which, thanks.

YOUNG RAPID.—Will give you the information in your next.

PATERNON.—Why did you not send a programme with your letter? D. C. W., Cannelton, Va.—We do not deal in the articles.

YOUNG CANADA.—Sent April 6th.

Q. Q. B.—Look over our advertising department.

SURAZAL, Philad'a.—We already have a correspondent in your city.

H. C., Richmond, Va.—Have not yet seen the article.

C. B. C.—Only by adoption.

ILLNESS OF JOHN MORRISSEY.—REMOVAL OF HIS DEATH.—A rumor was very prevalent in the city on Saturday evening, 8th inst., that John Morrissey had died that day of putrid sore throat, and the evening papers gave credence to the report by announcing his decease in their columns. On Monday, the Tribune, in alluding to the report, said he was not dead, as reported, but was very low, and his recovery said to be doubtful. On making inquiry in the proper quarter, we ascertained that Morrissey was quite well on Monday and Tuesday, but was taken ill on Wednesday, April 3d, with an attack of something like diphtheria. He continued to grow worse, and the best of medical aid was called in. His throat was in a dreadful state, and instruments had to be used to open the passage, and clear away the matter. On Saturday the disease seems to have reached its worst stage, and it was with the greatest difficulty he could breathe. So very low was he at one time, that the rumor got abroad that he had expired; but he began to rally on Saturday evening, and on Sunday morning was greatly relieved, and believed to be out of danger. He has continued to improve, and to-day, Monday, he is said to be much better, with every indication of a speedy restoration to his former health and vigor.

BOAT RACE ON THE HUDSON.—HANCON VS. BURGER.—These two oarsmen, both of whom have their names recorded on the scroll of a jutting fame, introduced boating sports for the first time this season on Thursday afternoon, 4th inst. John Hancon hailed from Newburgh, and Wm. Burger from Poughkeepsie. The race, which was a distance of three miles, for \$100 a side, took place off the latter place, at the foot of Main street. The weather was beautiful, excepting a little too much wind. The attendance was not large. The course as laid out, over which they were to pull, was one and a half miles up the river, and return. At 3:25, P. M., both men having pronounced themselves ready, the signal to start was given, and they dashed at a rapid rate, both boats keeping almost bow to bow until near the close, when Burger secured a lead of about half a boat's length, but, by some miscalculation, Hancon at once passed by him, and won the race in 22 minutes 58 seconds by half a boat's length. The last part of the race, and its final result, caused the affair to be looked upon rather suspiciously. It is asserted that Burger could have won the race if he had used the necessary effort. Burger is the man who rowed a race with Josh Ward last fall.

QUOT SALSOM OF 1861.—This will be duly inaugurated at the Quoit Shades, 273 Spring street, New York, on Wednesday, 10th April, when good players, spirited matches, and other refreshments will be around.

CLOSE OF OUR EIGHTH VOLUME.

AGAIN have we reached one of those stand-points in our progress, the close of a volume, when it is proper to review briefly the path of the past. We say "briefly," for our little CLIPPER is so "known" and read of all men, its course is so broadly scored upon the way of public opinion, that the statement of a few points seems all that is necessary or desirable.

The volume now closed represents a year of great prosperity, of widely extended circulation, and of still greater enlargement of influence and usefulness; and for these extensions outwardly, we have not failed to testify our satisfaction by improvements in the cargo of our little craft. With all the proper tastes and requirements of the day, and our readers, we have not merely kept pace, but earnestly led and honestly advocated such improvements as we have been first and most earnest. Others now follow; we rejoice in their support. We found it required, and have suited our advertisements with a severity unparalleled by any journal; we have less money but more self-respect. How many of the "respectables" can say as much? In obedience to the same demand, and justly for its own degeneracy, a whole class of what was sport has been excluded from our columns. Dog fighting has become but a pretext for the basest swindling, for law breaking; for the grossest demoralization of the man and cruelty to the brute.

But with far greater satisfaction than to these negative points can we refer to the various points in the career of our positive labors. We have been more decidedly than ever the first sporting journal in America. Look through all our departments, one by one, and see whether this be not a conclusion fairly deducible as an aggregate. Of Trotting we have been the truest friend, for we would fain elevate this, which might and ought to be a truly national sport, to a stand of true honor and honorable popularity. To such a stand it cannot rise till schemes of swindling, under what specious guise soever they secrete themselves, cease to be the principal object of every programme of ostensible sport. In the intellectual contests of Chess and Draughts we stand proudly pre-eminent over all competitors; in the latter, indeed, we stand peerless and without a rival.

For the manly and invigorating sports of Cricket and Base Ball, in their season, no journal in America has paid so much attention as we have in the volume now closed. In the still more hardy and taxing efforts of Boating and Pedestrianism our records are excelled by none. In the Ring we have achieved triumphs that none other could even attempt, or, attempting, have made a disastrous or disgraceful failure. In our stories, too, a great advance has been made, not merely in their scope as a whole, but in the tendency of their details. Even in the language, individual sentences are criticised, that nothing improper, or offensive to good taste or good morals shall appear in our columns.

But we reserve for mention last, as our greatest advance, that we are thus not only the first sporting journal in America, but the first theatrical journal in the world. And, in addition to that as a fact, we are infinitely the most independent, as we receive embarrassing favors from none. We enjoy a breadth of correspondence, and a scope of information we might almost say unattainable, by any contemporary. Our criticisms have been with a sincere desire of guarding and guiding the profession—thanks to our contemporaries who have been pleased to say, with ability. Our friendships with both branches of the profession, actor and minstrel, are universal, and attest our position.

Finally, we have absorbed humbug of all shades in connection with all sports, have encouraged and assisted all honestly striving to ameliorate the hardships of life by the relaxations of honorable amusement, especially delighting in bringing forward the beginner. We have aimed at being "a terror to evil doers, a praise to them who do well." We believe practically in the philosophy, so pleasantly enunciated by Professor Jacobus, that, "an hour's pleasant relaxation is of more value to the human system than three bottles of medicine."

CRICKETERS CONVENTION.—At length we are enabled to reply definitely to the many enquiries we have received in reference to the forthcoming convention. The President, Richard F. Stevens, and Secretary, A. C. Barclay have both written us, and officially announce that the convention will take place at the Continental Hotel, Philadelphia, on Monday, May 6th, at eight o'clock P. M. They further state, that every organized cricket club can send as many delegates as they please, but that no club will be entitled to more than one vote. We sincerely hope that there will be a full attendance, and that nothing will be allowed to occupy the attention of the convention, but that which refers solely to the "noble game," and calculated to increase its popularity. We have frequently thrown out warnings in reference to individuals who are extremely anxious to be considered "Sir Oracles" in cricket, and who are continually raising objections, unless the questions at issue subserve their own private ends. Of such beware, their portraits need not be drawn very glaringly, as the cloven foot is sure to stick out sooner or later.

BILLIARD MATINEES.—The two well-known billiard players, Messrs. Kavanagh and Geary, are, as our readers are already informed, making a tour eastward, and have given several exhibitions to full houses, at Boston, New Haven, and Providence. On Monday, 5th inst., they were to show at Albany, and from thence proceed westward. Kavanagh astonishes all who witness his play, and, it is said, he out-berges Berger at the mallet. At the American game, Geary seldom wins, but at the French game he manages to hold his own pretty well. Admirers of billiards in the west, have a treat in store for them, in witnessing Dudley and Michael twist the ivory for about in a cue-rising manner.

ANOTHER BIG RUN AT BILLIARDS, we are informed, was executed at the St. Charles Billiard Saloon, on the Eighth Avenue, by Mr. F. Masters, on the afternoon of the 2d inst., in the presence of about twenty spectators. It occurred in a regular full game, when he played on the two reds gently for awhile, until he got them "jawed," and then caromed on them without a foul or getting them "froze," until he had completed the large score of 1500 points.

ENGINE TRIAL.—A contest between fire engines No. 5 and 8, of Mobile, Ala., came off on Saturday, 23d ult., and was witnessed by a large concourse of spectators. No. 8 threw a stream 242 feet, and No. 5 a stream 229 feet. No. 8 was awarded the purse, after which they marched from the wharf, headed by the Creole band, to their engine house.

TROTTERING IN PHILADELPHIA.—The first trot of the Spring season will come off at Point Breeze Park on Wednesday, April 17th. The contestants are "Capitol" and "Boy Tom." The former animal, it will be remembered, was the victor in a majority of her efforts last fall.

MR. HOVEY, of Adams' Express, will please accept our thanks for New Orleans papers considerably in advance of Uncle Sam's packages.

WHITE HACKLE's history of the Billy Beard game fowls is in type, but unavoidably crowded out of this issue. It will appear in our next.

GREY EIGHT OARED RACE.—By reference to our London letter it will be seen that the great annual race between the eight oars of the universities of Oxford and Cambridge was decided on the 23d ult., in favor of Oxford.

A SERIES OF GLOVE ENCOUNTERS will occur at Kerrigan's Hall, 22 White street, on the evening of the 16th inst., on the occasion of Young Drumgoole's benefit. Besides the boxing, J. Thompson and Andy Kane will "give it" for the amusement of the company. The wind up will be between Young Drumgoole and Billy Donnelly. Admission 25 cents.

LACROSSE CLUB.—All those who may be favorable to the organization of a club for the practice of the game of Lacrosse, can learn all particulars, and have the privilege of fixing their names to a list, by calling at No. 46 Gold street, New York.

FATAL RESULT OF WRESTLING.—In Philadelphia, on the 4th inst., a young man named John Orens, aged 19 years, fell dead while engaged in wrestling. It is supposed he overtaxed his physical abilities.

A FISH WORTH CATCHING.—A large salmon was caught in the Hudson River, near Albany, N. Y., a day or two ago, and a silver watch found in its stomach.

THE ASSOCIATION OF BASE BALL PLAYERS of Boston and vicinity, was to have convened at No. 14 Bromfield street, Boston, on the 6th inst. The committee appointed at the special meeting last July to revise the rules and regulations which govern the game, intended to report several changes, embracing a "high ball game," or rather three balls to be thrown above the knee, also substituting an Umpire instead of all points of the game, instead of the present system of three referees, with some other changes of less importance. The committee appointed at the same meeting to take into consideration the expediency of holding a base ball tournament this season, are, we believe, in favor of holding such a meeting at some central place of Massachusetts sometime in August next, and also recommend a series of prizes to be competed for on that occasion.

THE FILMORE BASE BALL CLUB, of Buffalo, held a meeting on the 22d ult., and elected the following officers: A. L. Baker Jr., President; C. Fiske, Vice President; H. Ball, Secretary; A. W. Hoffman, Treasurer. Directors, Messrs. Atwater, Cutter and Ball.

BASE BALL CONVENTION.—At a meeting of the New England Association of Base Ball Players, held at 14 Bromfield street, on the 6th inst., the President, Mr. Berry, of Roxbury, in the chair, Mr. M. P. Berry was re-elected President; F. N. Scott, East Cambridge, Vice President; W. H. Lawrence, East Boston, Secretary; and A. D. Nutting, Haverhill, Treasurer. A committee of five was chosen to make necessary arrangements for a base ball tournament at some central place in August next.

THE DETROIT BOAT CLUB has recently received a new six oared boat from the Messrs. Darling, of this city. It is 42 ft long, 3 ft 3 in beam, 14 ft in, and weighs 1,100 lbs. It is a very fine boat, and is well fitted for an outrigger, and has been built to combine those essential and important qualities in a boat of her class: comfort, strength, lightness and speed. Her thwarts are of rosewood, supported by mahogany stanchions; she is copper-fastened and riveted throughout—her rigging being scarcely two inches apart in any portion of her, thus giving her extra strength. She is built to carry a coxswain.

ESMERALDA BOAT CLUB.—The first annual meeting of the Esmeralda Boat Club, of Hoboken, N. J., took place on Tuesday evening, April 2d, 1861, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, George H. Shaw; Vice President, Alexander Hutchison; Secretary, Edward B. Hore; Treasurer, William J. Glover.

Capt. JAMES M. TURNER, who left New York in the Adriatic a few weeks since, had arrived at Queenstown, on the 22d ult.

THE SPORTING WORLD IN ENGLAND.

The Turf—Nat Langham's License—The Championship—Harry Poulson Forfeits to King—The Great Boat Race between Oxford and Cambridge, &c., &c.

LONDON, Saturday, March 23, 1861.

DEAR CLIPPER.—The sports of Old England and the sporting season have now so far advanced, that I can with positive certainty assert that never was there a brighter opening prospect than what this year presents. We have the great jumping tournament at Liverpool was witnessed by thousands of the hardy, hearty, and vigorous sons of toil, as well as by a company of England's high-borne aristocracy, more numerous than ever was witnessed on such an occasion. Whilst in little more than two months' time from this date, the whole civilized world will, wherever the footprint of an Englishman has been pressed, be waiting the advent of the great and grand event which will be the crowning glory of the season, the Derby, which is annually witnessed by hundreds of thousands, whose cheering notes ring out with such reverberating shouts, when the victorious horse and rider of England's "blue riband" returns upon the course triumphant. Not only has the racing season opened satisfactorily and gratifyingly to all well wishers of the turf, but the return of the spring has apparently laid up the dormant energies of those fond of other sports; for soon will the smooth green award be graced with the daily attendance of the lithe, agile, and active cricketer engaged in that noble game.

The aquatic world is also up and bustling itself, and ere many more days the bosoms of our choicest rivers will ripple and glitter again with the stroke of the oar, from the hardy lovers of aquatics. The prospect in view for the lovers and members of the Prize Ring looks more cheering than what it has done for some time past, and I cannot but conclude that if the old well known motto, "A man that wants friends must show himself friendly," was fully carried out by themselves, the Ring would again assume as cheering and as profitable as it ever was in the days of Gully, Tom Cribb, and others. One thing more than another to make me come to this conclusion has occurred this past week. Last year Nat Langham had his liquor license taken away from him by the magistrates of the district of St. Martins, in which district the Cambrian Stores are situated. Nat, on that occasion, appealed against this decision, and employed able counsel to support him, but without success. He was, however, then on the bench would not retract what they had done; whilst, to confirm them in their decision, they had the support of a great many of those householders resident close by Nat's, who opposed on account of the great disturbances caused by the outsiders of the ring assembling at Nat's. On Tuesday last, the annual licensing meeting again was held, and Nat applied for the renewal of his license, and was successful. He was granted without a demur, and those parties who last year had been the most hostile, were this year the greatest advocates for its renewal; and this all was done through and by the good conduct shown by Nat during the past season. I trust this will have a good effect upon the Ring, and learn those members who have been, by their own hands to reinstate it in its pristine form. Ben Caunt also applied to have his license renewed, but was unsuccessful, something having transpired and come to the magistrates' ears which was not favorable to the proprietor, the Colaba and Horses, and Ali was this time refused, although Mr. Sleigh, his counsel, pleaded for him most forcibly, and assured the bench that if they did not grant the license, Caunt would immediately, if they desired it, sell out, and leave the house; all this was of no avail, and Ben has to await another year he obtains his.

We have had one or two little mishaps this past week, but neither were of sufficient importance to cause me to attend, nor yet did they turn out to be of such a nature that requires me to give you an account of them.

During the early part of the week, rumors were very current in London that the match between Mace and Hurst for the champion ship was at an end, and that Hurst, who was in a bad way, did not recover so fast as he wished, had given up the idea of going on with the match, and therefore had forfeited the £500 stake. This rumor, I am pleased to say, was false; for on Friday last the fourth deposit of £200 a side was duly placed in the stakeholder's hands, and every thing thus goes on as well as can be desired.

Joe Goss, who has been for some time anxiously awaiting a customer, has been this week accommodated by a young Bromie, who has made a match with him, Goss, for £50 a side, to fight at catch weight, in the London district, on the 23d of July next. Goss denies having challenged Mace, and so that matter is at an end.

Poor old Harry Poulson having been compelled to forfeit to young King, through the neglect of his so-called friends, is now thrown completely on his beam end, and trusts those who have seen him perform, and who know his pluck, will come to his assistance and raise him up. King, on the other hand, now is in want of a job, and has challenged any man in England for £50 or £100 a side, to fight an off-hand match, in six weeks or two months time; so that he can after that, challenge the winner in the champion fight, as it is his determination to have a shy at the winner.

I rather anticipate a match between Joe Nolan and Dan Thomas, the Welchman, for £200 a side. Should this take place, I have every reason to believe that it will be one of the best and most scientific mills witnessed for years.

The benefit getting up for poor old Peter Crawley takes place very shortly in London, and from what I can learn, it is likely to be a bumper.

Harry Broome, it appears, has been invited to pay Glasgow a visit, and he intends taking a lot of men with him next week, and thus give the Glasgow people during the Easter week a treat. The Circus is the place where he takes his benefit, and I hope he will meet with success.

To-day the London aquatic season has been inaugurated by the annual struggle in towing skill shown between the sister universities of England, Oxford, and Cambridge, which have for some years past annually contended for the blue riband of the river, to which title the holders of this prize are by common consent awarded. The Oxford and Cambridge regatta is considered by the lovers of aquatic sports to be the race of the season, and for weeks it is looked forward to with no mean anxiety, and the betting which takes place upon it is very great, many hundreds of pounds changing hands over the event, whilst, to show what friends it creates, I need only say that some of our best blood belonging to the very and cheerfully throw aside the attractive pleasures of youth, to submit to a long and rigid training for this effort, so that they may be on the day as fit and perfect in form as possible, on purpose to have their names chronicled in aquatic annals as part and parcel of the glorious right of the year. The first contest between the rival universities came off at Henley upon Thames on the 10th of June 1859, and was won by Oxford by several boat's lengths. Shortly after this period the locals were shifted, and the London river selected, from Putney to Mortlake, as the part which was to witness the contests. As it was not kept up every year, I can only say that prior to to-day's Oxford regatta had been rowed out of which Cambridge women, and quarters at Putney, and at once commenced work on the Thames, much to the satisfaction of thousands who were that day present to witness their trials, some asserting that the style of the Cam was superior to their adversaries, whilst others vowed that the stroke of Oxford was the perfect—so much in union that the beholder might fancy under the delusion that there was but one pair of oars in the boat. I must confess that when I saw them on Wednesday, I concluded that their style was not so lofty as their rivals', or, but so quick. The morning broke bright and clear, and long ere the hour for starting, Putney, Barnes, and Mortlake were crowded by thousands of anxious viewers, all intent upon witnessing the struggle and the rival crews. The parsons of each were easily distinguished by the rosettes which they sported, Oxford having for their colors a dark blue, whilst Cambridge had a light blue. The latter color greatly predominated, as there could not have been less than two to one for the Cam's. Even the ladies were not proof against it, for they came out strong in the looking lady, with a crown all, I observed in one carriage a bedecked from head to tail with the Cambridge colors. The start took place at 10:55, from Putney, in the presence of thousands, who were congregated together in all manner of forms, whilst there could not have been less than 30 steamboats on the water, all crowded from stem to stern. As soon as the word was given, the

Cams took a slight lead by dipping their oars at the moment; but for long were they permitted to go ahead, as the long, strong stroke of the Oxford crew quickly got into play, and they took a lead of half a boat, and were more than a quarter of a boat ahead. At this point, the Cam never stood the least chance, for the Oxford, warming to their work, seemed to improve every stroke they made, and to appearance they worked as if by machinery. When coming in sight of the winning flag at Mortlake, they could not have been less than twenty boat's lengths ahead, doing the distance in 23 minutes and 45 seconds. The beating during the early part of the week had been 5 to 4 on the "Cams," and they were easily taken by the Oxford crew, which continued the same up to this morning, when the followers of the dark blue came out in strong force, and their oars were dipped 6 to 4 was freely laid upon them, and the Cam's of promise have thus changed hands. I have not time to say more this time, with the exception that all classes were represented, from the peer to the peasant, and from the jockey to the members of the Ring, as Mace was there "backing the Oxford" in all his glory.

Yours,

MARSHMAN.

SPORTS IN CALIFORNIA.

A TEN MILE FOOT RACE between Henry Derrick and the Shepherd Boy, for \$500 a side, came off over the Pioneer Course, San Francisco, on March 3d, and resulted in the victory of the Shepherd Boy. The day was remarkably dry, and the attendance was very large, at least fifteen hundred persons being present. The Shepherd Boy was very spirited, both men being strongly backed; considerable money was put up on the relative positions of the men in crossing the score each mile. This was mostly won by the backers of the Shepherd Boy, Derrick, being able to stand on two miles only—the third and seventh. The judges were Messrs. A. H. Tilton, G. C. Parkinson and Wm. Shear. The men took their positions with appearing fresh, clean-limbed, and anxious for the word. The contest was a close one, neither man being in lead, except when near the score, when the Shepherd Boy would push ahead (except in the instances named above), falling back immediately after passing the station. Derrick, though losing the race, made a most gallant effort, being behind only some twenty feet at the end of the trail mile. Below we give a table of the time of the respective miles, as also the total time occupied in doing the various miles up to the tenth mile.

Mile.	Time.	Total.	Mile.	Time.	Total.
1.....	6:20.....	6:20.....	6.....	6:47.....	38:50.....
2.....	6:04.....	12:24.....	7.....	6:25.....	45:15.....
3.....	6:45.....	19:09.....	8.....	6:50.....	52:05.....
4.....	6:26.....	25:35.....	9.....	6:43.....	58:48.....
5.....	6:28.....	32:03.....	10.....	6:31.....	1:05:19.....

or at an average of 6:32 per mile.

The winner of the above race, a few days after, challenged Se. Jara, the champion short distance runner, in the following terms.—"Having heard indirectly that Mr. Se. Jara was anxious to make a match against me for a race of ten miles, I take this method to inform him that I will run any man in the State ten miles for twenty-five hundred dollars a side, half forfeit, over the Pioneer Course, sixty days from date.

ONE HUNDRED YARDS SPIN.—A dash of 100 yards was contested at Empire Ranch on the 1st of March, between a miner and a sport from Timbuctoo, for \$400 a side, the latter won by ten feet.

CHAMPION RACKET MATCH.—A match at rackets for a champion belt was played on February 24th, at Grass Valley, between Barney Harrigan and John Danahy of Nevada, and John McHenry and Jas. McHenry, of Grass Valley. The former were the victors.

SNOW SHOE RACE.—A snow shoe race came off at the Mammoth Mills, Plumas county, on March 14th, between Julius Jacquelle and Charley Hall. The former won by about 44 feet. He fell 20 feet short of the scratch, and bounded like a rubber ball—30 feet at the first bound, 12 the second, and rolled about 30 feet, making about 60 feet of travel after falling. Charley stood erect on his legs, and went the distance in rapid time, and the speaker, who punctured the seat of his pantaloons, as he passed over. He was otherwise unharmed. Jacquelle hurt his left leg slightly.

HARE HUNTING AT SACRAMENTO.—This sport finds much favor there, and as a general thing, the hunters are pretty successful. Occasionally, however, they get on the wrong scent, which was manifestly the case on a recent occasion which brought out the following report in the Bee of that locality.—"There is no sport with which the amateur hunters of the Sacramento Valley are more familiar than that of coursing or hare hunting. With a full pack of thoroughbred greyhounds, and one of the large hare, whose swiftness tests their greatest speed, careering over the level plain, we know of no amusement more exciting, or no exercise more bracing, or no recreation, however, amusing incident, and frequently serious accidents are the result of the wild chase. The following is perhaps more serious than amusing. A party of hunters were out a few days since, when they started and chased to his burrow a mammoth hare, which had eluded the hounds in pursuit. The hunters were up to the hole, into which he had disappeared, when one of them volunteered to exhume him. In so doing, he was so unfortunate as to fall into the hole, and the speaker seized the hare and dragged him to the light of day. Immediately the air was filled with an odor which did not arise from the presence of eau de cologne, and to the surprise of the hunters, the hare had changed both size and color. The animal which had been brought out at once opened a battery on those who surrounded him, and the entire party fled in rapid and complete disorder. The hare had by some means been transformed into a 'skunk,' the odor of whose presence still lingers in the midst of the hunters about as persistently as the odor clinging to the garments of which they wore at the time. They are now endeavoring to find the real animal for which they were hunting, but to return home to call upon their admiring lady friends."

A BILLIARD MATCH is likely to take place at an early date, between Harry Eaton and Mr. Maher, two players of reputation. At the four ball career game, 1000 points up, for either \$100 or \$500 a side. Eaton offers to give 250 points in the 1000.

BASE BALL AT MISSION DOLORES.—The following is the score of a match played on Feb. 22d, between the Young Eagle and Excelsior Clubs, which are composed of young lads from nine to fourteen years of age. The Excelsior won by two runs.

YOUNG EAGLE.					EXCELSIOR.				
NAMES.	H.	L.	RUNS.		NAMES.	H.	L.	RUNS.	
Robin, catcher.....	1	1	1	3	McCarthy, catcher.....	3	1	3	4
Birdsall, pitcher.....	3	4	1	3	Wilcock, pitcher.....	4	3	1	3
A. Sultz, 1st base.....	2	5	1	2	Tracy, 1st base.....	2	4	1	2
McGowan, 2d base.....	3	3	1	2	Hutton, 2d base.....	2	5	1	2
Welch, 3d base.....	2	3	1	2	Ransome, 3d base.....	1	4	1	2
C. Kerrigan, slugger.....	6	6	1	3	Dunn, slugger.....	3	4	1	3
I. Cahill, left field.....	5	2	1	2	L. Green, left field.....	2	4	1	2
R. Gunn, centre field.....	2	4	1		Carroll, centre field.....	4			
J. McGee, right field.....	5	3			G. Green, right field.....	6			

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52-2 We have letters from Mad. Kirbie, or Prof. Kirbie. Gymnastic performers; Max Irwin; Jas. B. Roberts; Chas. Seaborn; Thomas Armstrong; J. A. Talbot; Frank Weyant; Ad. Weaver; Frank Caddella; L. J. Donnelly, of Duprez & Green's troupe; W. J. Marshall, (English letter); Miss Emma Frothingham; Miss Lida White; Miss Fanny Forrest, and P. Antonio.

CITY SUMMARY.

MONDAY, April 8, '91.

Easter week—albeit Monday introduced us to a howling tempest of snow and sleet, and "ground and fury"—has been one of the most profitable for managers, that they have experienced this season.

our last. Observers of the season of Lent seem to have turned out for a jolly good time, after an abstinence of "forty days and forty nights," as told; and they rushed here and there, beller skulls not caring where they turned up, so that they could once more spend a night with the players. It was truly a gala week; and not only were our theatres and music halls filled, but the thoroughfares were crowded with the "beauty and fashion" of the metropolis. In theaters World and here, too, be it remembered, at a time when the country, according to the sensation dailies, is in the verge of Civil War, with all its attendant horrors. But New Yorkers are not prone to gloomy foreboding; they go on in life and gaiety wherever the occasion offers; they throw are to the dogs. The country is in a "crisis," the late "impending crisis," yet in the Empire City all is serene save the hubbub caused by the scramble for the loaves and fishes and in that scramble the politicians are in a phrenz of excitement some of them hiding place of Horace Greeley; others leading the movements of "empathising youth" of the Daily Tribune, and hundreds on hundreds of the "emphatic youth" of the Collier's office. Aside from this, the city is quiet. In fact no one would suppose that we had been fitting out ships and mounting war, and turning our commercial marine into a fleet.

ings of this life, like the unknown winter. We have sometimes
pride that gallant body of Nor. by Son West Volunteers who
cent formed themselves into a military company of volunteers
New Orleans Varieties Theatre, and whose "term of office" in the
"Southern Confederacy" will soon expire. We were already aware
that their "friends in the North" were ready to receive them with
open arms, but we were ignorant that the demonstration was intended
to be of such an imposing character as to warrant the "Northern
Press" in sending an armed force to give them safe convey to
their "hallowed graves." But if so be it, why then so it is
Some one of our enterprising friends can we might suggest, that
the "extraordinary 'big thing'" can be made an engine for the "Re-
tired Volunteers" to perform in one of our largest theatres.
You might only "like" We warrant a "packed house," even at doubtful
prices.

Now the "winter of our discontent" is gone, and the spring
of year is coming, truly. Every thing gives indication of the
advent of the season that is accompanied by the "renewal of life."
Earth, and increased good to the managers of our better places
amusement. As far as the latter and their people are concerned
the indications of the good time—unlike that so finely varied
by Charles Mackay—has come at last, are numerous. Appearances

still more huge; the managers, themselves—and their principal actors, not forgetting the "urbane and indefatigable" generosity lounge about the doors of their respective establishments. The spring's fashionable embellishments on their persons; the ladies, too, bent to venture upon light fabrics as an agreeable change from silk, and move gracefully and leisurely along the paths they lately avoided, on account of snow and mud. These things, like refreshment, are in the air. In the month of April, as also do buds on the trees, more sunshine the sky, more flowers in the atmosphere; thus heralding itself then puts on a gladdening raiment, and on occasion that Nature's actors and minstrels, in anticipation of the June heat that will compel them to close their doors for a brief interval, strive their utmost to be more attractive than ever.

Unfortunately, the benefit in aid of the family of the late Hattie James, did not turn out as successful as had been anticipated, owing, I am told, to the severe snow storm that prevailed on that evening Monday. The number of those who had volunteered to perform were faithful to their promise, but the number did not "keep the faith," may have some sort of excuse for not turning out on that night. Among those who did appear were Misses Dora Dawson as Kate Penneyer, The French Theatre, in which the enterprising

and the cash received abundantly in itself, was not near far from the sum of \$175, which the sum of the tickets only reached the sum of \$175, of which \$100 went to defray the expenses, leaving a balance of \$75 only. Had the night been less full, the benefit would have been more fair, and a couple of hundred might have added to the mother's heart. We have been requested by Mrs. James to give publicity to the following card in reference to the benefit, its proceeds, and those who contributed their assistance:—

CARD.—The undersigned takes this method of returning her most grateful acknowledgments to those artists, respectively and collectively, who so assisted in the success of the mother and family of the late lamented Battle James, on Monday evening, April 1, at the theatre to Mr. Frank P. Dobson, treasurer and business manager of the occasion, for his disinterested and faithful services in her behalf; and she hereby acknowledges the receipt from him of \$75, being the amount realized from the proceeds of the same. ANNE JAMES.

Strange things are happening in this eventful age. On Monday evening, April 1, at the Winter Garden, Mr. J. S. Clarke commenced an engagement, and actually had a crowded audience to welcome him. The cause was a noble one, and the cause was a noble one, but the comedian achieved very decided success. His acting was of the highest quality, and he played "To add still greater glory to Mr. Clarke's performance the New York crowd without we believe a political expression, but

come down handsomely, and awarded a "due meed of praise" to the actor, in face of the startling fact that Mr. Clarke is not a native Philadelphian, but came from the "village of Philadelphia." Mr. Clarke's performances were, of course, the subject of comment to some of our living comedians, that the critics were at fault or for comparison, and finally fetched up by contrasting Mr. C with the dear Burton: forgetting, however, that even Burton's first reputation as a comedian was achieved in the Quaker City. As we have previously stated, the house was crowded on Monday evening, in spite of the storm; but here we might add, that, although the theatre was full, the treasury box was not: "free passes" contributing to swell the attendance, but not the receipts.

On Tuesday week large audiences, and to general satisfaction, we dropped in on Saturday evening, and found the Winter Garden again full, and the audience, apparently, in the best of humor with Mr. Clarke, and heartily laughing at, or applauding everything he said or did; and yet, we have seen the gentleman perform much better in Philadelphia, at his own theatre, where he felt more at home, and could "spread himself" without fear or favor; at the Winter Garden he did not seem to "let himself out," appearing under a sort of restraint, or, fearful that in striving for a good point, he might overdo the thing in the estimation of a "metropolitan."

His mad act, so well last week

that the manager of the theatre has engaged him to do it over again the present.

Poor Jim Carroll is fast falling, and ere this reaches the eyes of some of our readers, his soul may have taken its flight to the eternal world. Mr. Carroll will be recollected as formerly the middle man, or interpreter, at Bryant's Minstrels. He has had several severe attacks, of late, of bleeding of the lungs, and the present attack will probably prove fatal. He has been unable to lie down for the past two weeks, and is compelled to sit and slumber in a chair. We shall be pleased if a favorable turn takes place, but we fear the worst.

There was a succession of good houses at Laura Keane's last week, upon one or two evenings "standing room only" being commandable. We understand that a new tableau of Washington Crossing the Delaware is about to be added to the tableaux already given in the piece. P. S.—The "man in the sewer clothes" didn't show last week.

You know how they pack sardines, don't you? Well, just such

wing is the latest summary.—The
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and mare, was then brought up, and and Charleston, another skewbald, fetched thirty eight guineas. Princess, a guinea, Leopard, a spotted gelding, a swabald gelding, described as a clever horse, fetched fifty guineas. It was announced by Mr Cooke, the late lessee expressed his acknowledgements for the price he had received from the previous owner, the serious loss he had sustained by the late Portsmouth. Paddy, a gold horse, and an extraordinary jumper, and Caroline, a cream colored trick or trick, fetched thirty guineas, and Champion, a spotted gelding, as guinea, and Denny Brook, a clever thirty four guinea. Raglan, a white or trick and Mszappa horse, and thirty one guinea. Doctor, a white or guinea—he was described as a c. Brunette, a bay mare, described as deserving the description, and who was the favorite ring horse of Madame De fetched eighty four guineas. Seven were brought up, and one of them, said was in the world, and appropriated for fifteen guineas. The performing horse to every harness, and to perform for eight and a half guineas, and two female, fetched sixty guineas. The £4 10s., and his carriage for £4, and the live stock. Several carriages, and a mare were then disposed of, and this on.

Mr Meldeon, in Philadelphia, flags not houses, we understand, as previous official crisis. The Fairy of the Schuyler in the place we notice the new piece lists of that wonderful marble monde. As this new affair is gotten up with characteristic of this bijou establishment, its success. Tony Pastor will be the weekly evening, when a variety of no doubt. Tony is a great favorite, a prod, he well remembered on the former have terminated their engagement. Fortimer share the honors in the sing-

praising, and accommodating vocal-performers in her business. Miss Lathrop notices. She possesses musical qualifications to be a valuable acquisition to any company.

Cogitating upon his success, manager Little went into the city. The announced arrival at the Howard Athenaeum, Boston, excited quite a furore in the amusement world.

Dublin, has been re-fitted and re-opened by Mr. C. T. Smith, Wm Hamblin, and others, who are playing Miss Sallie St. Clair. On the 6th Mr. Charles De Moor, paid compliment of an invitation from the theatre, and on the 8th Mr. Charles De Moor, in performance was well received. Col. said, succeeds Miss St. Clair.

A brilliant week of it at Sherlock's Theatre, on the 8th. This week she is performing on the 9th; from there she goes to New York, where she will have an engagement at McVicker's Theatre. She returns there on the 16th.

Two weeks' engagement at Lockport, N. Y., Miss Carrie had a benefit, and was successful. The Sisters commence an engagement at Detroit, on the 8th. They remain two weeks at Detroit, and return to Baltimore, opened on Monday amidst a storm, to a large company, persons turned away. Business has improved.

Baltimore Opera Troupe give one performance at the Metropolitan Theatre, on the 8th.

On the 10th, at the Metropolitan Theatre, on the 8th.

Performances this week, at the Lockport, N. Y., commenced next week by Miss Kimberly, who arrived last week by Erie, where, after their Detroit tour they will join them.

On the last week at the Holliday, Baltimore, they attended to a law suit having returned, Charles De Moor, in the Robbers. He is now in the city.

In literary circles, having contributed articles of the day, it soon to make critical. It was thought that the

we learn that it will take place at Mr. Matre, Detroit.

on which our Richmond, Va., correspondent, we find the accession banner principle as natural as the glorious old Star of Richmond, April 5, "H. C." says: "as famous about the same as for these past is now in the second week of his enomore successful than any other 'star' months. On Monday, the new piece " was presented, and very favorable feeling the character of "Peter Probity" "Solomon Probity" was also a capital has but one scene, and is entirely complete plot is well constructed and interestingly and attractive play. On Tuesday evening, with "The Advocate's Last Rock played "Antoine de Vernet." On Louis XI., in the new tragedy of that is a benefit, on which occasion he will the "Chimney Corner."

recipient of a benefit at the theatre at ory, on the 9th of February. The first and the farce of "Domestic Economy" on, the various parts being taken by Flynn, Kappel, Mattison, Donovan, cant, Mrs. Lougee, Mrs. Westwood and Mr. Taze also favored the audience

ers were in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., last ss. They had offered a prize to the five tickets last week. The prize is a glass preferred, they offered to make a glass to the winning company.

ood's Minstrels gave several entertain- The troupe is composed of J. H. Buddell, Geo. Raynor, Matt. Thompson, Edward, J. Solomon, and M. Corvan. h last, Sharkey's Minstrels performed; they gave their last concert there show at Worcester on the 9th and 10th; and then into New Hampshire, where he 15th and 16th; Manchester, 16th and 19th. This troupe have been doing Eastern travel.

comedian and bone player, is up for a

er manager—perform at Wheeling, Va., remainder of the week at Pittsburgh. Monday, with Miss J. Stanley Hoemer as the the 34, at Binghamton, N. Y., Mr. W. S. and, Miss Hoemer as his irrepressible have returned, after a tour to Baltimore, Md. They sing in towns on the Hudson American" performers in England, just Among those "who will be happy to are J. D. Kelly, the "Inimitable Americanist, and comedianist," and Mrs. Kelly, nothing like the "American platform." Theatrical Record, see page 411.

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